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1. EMBASSY IN PROCESS FORMULATING ITS ASSESSMENT PROBLEMS AFFECTING SAUDI- IRANIAN COORDINATION WHICH WE WILL FORWARD SHORTLY.

2. MEANWHILE, TEHRAN MAY BE INTERESTED KNOW KAMAL ADHAM DEPARTED YESTERDAY FOR VIST TO TEHRAN ON KING' S INSTRUCTION. WE UNDERSTAND HE HAS BEEN DIRECTED DISCUSS GULF SECURITY PROBLEMS WITH SHAH, RAISE QUESTIONS RE CURRENT IRANIAN ATTITUDES TOWARDS IRAQ AND RUMORS POSSIBLE COUP IN ABU DHABI.

3. ADHAM IS UNQUESTIONABLY MOST ARTICULATE AND IMAGINATIVE SAUDI SPOKESMAN. HE IS NOT, HOWEVER, DESPITE HIS BEING COMMISSIONED BY KING UNDERTAKE PERIODIC SPECIAL

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TASKS AND HAVING CLOSE PERSONAL TIE AS BROTHER- IN- LAW, MEMBER OF INNER CIRCLE. RECENT PROTRACTED ABSENCES FROM JIDDA HAVE TENDED ERODE HIS INFLUENCE. NEVERTHELESS, HIS CURRENT VISIT CANNOT BUT HELP MATTERS IN SOME DEGREE. WE WOULD ASSUME THAT VISIT WILL BE, AS IN PAST INSTANCES OF THIS KIND, QUOTE UNOFFICIAL AND UBPUBLICIZED, AND THAT ADHAM WILL SPEND TIME TOO WITH HIS COUNTERPART, GENERAL NASIRI.
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